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Applicant : Steven F. Bierman
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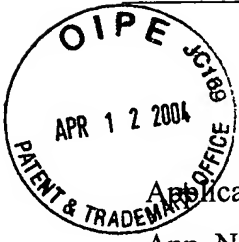
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

- (X) An Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 with three (3) references.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.
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Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing three (3) references that are also enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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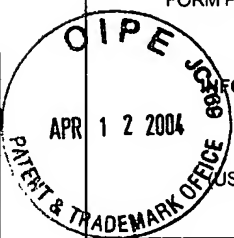
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	1	WO 94/21319	09/29/94	PCT				
	2	WO 97/15337	05/01/97	PCT				

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	3	International Search Report for App. No. PCT/US03/25622, mailed March 10, 2004

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